

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-12 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, the specification and claim 1 are amended. The specification is amended to correct a typographical error. Support for amended claim 1 may be found in the original specification at, for example, paragraphs [0013] and [0021]. No new matter is added.

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

Applicant appreciates the courtesies shown to Applicant's representative by Examiner Ma in the March 12, 2008 interview. Applicant's separate record of the substance of the interview is incorporated into the following remarks.

**Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. §103(a)**

Claims 1-7, 9 and 12 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,597,413 ("Kurashina") in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,577,371 ("Hirabayashi").

Claim 8 was rejected under 35 U.S.C §103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Kurashina in view of Hirabayashi, further in view of U.S. Publication No. 2006-0102903 ("Kim").

Claim 10 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Kurashina in view Hirabayashi, further in view of U.S. Publication No. 2003-0202800 ("Matsushima").

Claim 11 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Kurashina in view of Hirabayashi, further in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,480,244 ("Murade").

Applicant respectfully traverses each of the above rejections.

None of the applied references, alone or in combination, teach or suggest an electro optical device including a capacitor wire which applies a predetermined potential to capacitor

electrodes forming storage capacitors and which is formed of a same material as that for electrodes forming exterior circuit connection terminals, as required in claim 1.

During the interview, the Patent Office alleged that because the term "film" in its broadest sense could encompass the entire multilayer structure as shown in Fig. 7 of the application, the entire multilayered structure shown in Fig. 7 of Kurashina would also be considered a "film." As such, the Patent Office alleged that Fig. 7 of Kurashina showed a capacitor wire and an electrode to be a same film. However, claim 1 is amended to remove the phrase "as the same film" with the phrase "of a same material." Nowhere does Kurashina teach or suggest scan lines 3a (alleged exterior connection terminals) and capacitor line 11a (alleged capacitor wire) being formed of the same material. In fact, scan lines 3a (alleged exterior connection terminals) and capacitor line 11a (alleged capacitor wire) being formed of different materials is further evidenced by the shading of each in Fig. 7.

Further, the Patent Office relies on Fig. 1 and column 1, lines 37-40 of Kurashina as allegedly disclosing that scan lines 3a (alleged exterior connection terminals) are formed of the same film as that of capacitive line 11a (alleged capacitor wire). However, column 1, lines 37-40 of Kurashina is speaking of storage capacitors in the related art that contained scan lines, not external connection terminals as claimed. Further, claim 1 requires a capacitor wire formed of a same material as that for electrodes forming the exterior circuit connection terminals, not formed of a same film.

Hirabayashi, Kim, Matsushima and Murade

None of Hirabayashi, Kim, Matsushima and Murade remedy the deficiencies of Kurashina detailed above with respect to the features of claim 1. That is, none of Hirabayashi, Kim, Matsushima and Murade teach or suggest an electro optical device including a capacitor wire which applies a predetermined potential to capacitor electrodes

forming storage capacitors and which is formed of a same material as that of electrodes forming exterior circuit connection terminals, as required in claim 1.

Conclusion

For at least the foregoing reasons, claim 1 and dependent claims therefrom, are patentable over the applied references. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) are respectfully requested.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-12 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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